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NEWS RELEASE

GEORGE Service Changes Begin July 6

Changes to the City of Falls Church GEORGE service will begin Monday, July 6, when Arlington County begins operating the City bus system. Due to fiscal year 2010 budget reductions, the midday 26A route will be eliminated and fares on the 26E and 26W routes will increase. There will be no route or schedule changes to the 26E and 26W.

The fare will be \$1.35 cash or \$1.25 with a SmarTrip card - the same fare as Arlington County's ART service - and will remain at that price until Friday, Sept. 4. Per the City's request, Arlington will reprogram fare boxes on GEORGE (which takes six to eight weeks) and the fare will decrease to \$1 on Tuesday, Sept. 8. GEORGE does not operate on weekends and holidays, so there will be no service Sept. 5-7.

GEORGE is Falls Church City's clean diesel bus, providing local transit service to and from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority's (WMATA) East and West Falls Church Metrorail stations and throughout the City.

For more information about GEORGE, call 703-248-5040 (TTY 711).

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